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SUBJECT: SALE OF RESEARCH REACTOR TO ARGENTINA

REF: BUENOS AIRES 6199

TO: MR. RH CHESWORTH
GENERAL ATOMIC CO.
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
CABLE: GENATOM

REF CHESWORTH-JONES TELCONS

1. ON OCTOBER 18, RECEIVED LETTER FROM DR. ABBATE INDICATING THAT MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 13 IN BUENOS AIRES APPARENTLY RESOLVED ONLY THE FOLLOWING ISSUES:

A) THE PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE A REASEARCH REACTOR FOR THE INSTITUTO BALSEIRO WAS APPROVED.

B) A DECISION WAS MADE TO GO AHEAD WITH THE DESIGN FOR A BUILDING FOR THE REACTOR.

C) IT WAS AGREED TO CARRY OUT A STUDY (WITHIN THE NATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION) TO DETERMINE
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TO WHAT EXTENT THE COMISION AND ARGENTINE INDUSTRY COULD PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A REACTOR AND ITS AUXILIARY SYSTEMS. THE STUDY MUST BE COMPLETED BY MID-DECEMBER, SO THAT A DECISION ON PROCUREMENT MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BEGINNING OF 1978.

D) THE FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT WAS APPROVED.

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2. READING BETWEEN THE LINES, DEDUCE THAT THERE MUST
BE FIRST A FORMAL DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER THE REACTOR
WILL BE CONSTRUCTED LOCALLY OR IMPORTED. THIS IS THE
REASON FOR THE STUDY MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1C).

3. REGRET IT HAS TAKEN SO LONG TO PROVIDE YOU THIS
INFORMATION BUT SPEAKING TO DR. ABATTE BY TELEPHONE
HAS PROVED IMPOSSIBLE. WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT
DECISION ON SOURCEING OF REACTOR IS TAKEN. BELIEVE
NOTHING WILL CHANGE IN THIS REGARD, HOWEVER; IT STILL
APPEARS PROBABLE FOREIGN PROCUREMENT WILL BE ALLOWED.
BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO VISIT ARGENTINA
BEFORE DECEMBER IF YOU ARE PREPARED TO PROPOSE SOME
TYPE OF LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN PRODUCTION OF REACTOR
COMPONENTS.

SIGNED: PETER E. JONES, COMMERCIAL ATTACHE, AMEMBASSY,
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA.
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NOTE BY OCT: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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